

## Geneal Masters, 92

Geneal Masters, 92, Groton, died Friday, October 26, 2001 at Beverly Healthcare Center, Groton.

Her funeral was Monday, Oct. 29, 2001 at Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton, with the Rev. Lance Koenig officiating. Burial was in Union Cemetery, Groton, under the direction of Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton. A prayer service was held Sunday evening at the chapel.

Florence Geneal Smothers was born April 19, 1909 to Jack and Ila (Holland) Smothers in Cainsville, Mo. The family moved to Meeker, Colo. and eventually to Casper, Wyo. She graduated from high school and went on to teachers training. The family left Casper and homesteaded at Savageton, Wyo.

She married Dean Dixon in 1928. The couple had one child, Jack Dixon. She and her son moved to Newcastle, Wyo., in 1934, where she operated a beauty shop.

She married Parvin Masters in 1935. They moved frequently, where work was available. Eventually, they arrived in Hot Springs. He died in 1959. She moved to Aberdeen in 1966 and worked at South Dakota Wheat Growers, until her retirement. She entered Beverly Healthcare Center, Groton, in 1994, and resided there until her death.

She belonged to the First Baptist Church, Aberdeen, and later attended the Groton C&MA Church, Groton. She was an active member of the American Legion Auxiliary, serving as Past President. She was also a member of the Does.

She is survived by one son, Jack (Lillian) Dixon; eight grandchildren, Steve (Nancy) Dixon, Sherry (Rick) Koehler, Patty Smith, Jackie (Dennis) Hales, Michael (Karen) Dixon, Diane (Rich) Schelle, Kelli (Mark) Bieber, Kathy (Jason) Holm; and 18 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and both husbands.

Casketbearers will be Rick Koehler, Rick Schelle, Dennis Hales, Jason Holm, Mark Bieber, Mike Dixon, and Steve Dixon.

Organist was Marie Sternhagen and soloist was the Rev. Bill Duncan.

